

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: My one minute public comment tomorrow will be about the book 'King of Ashes' by S. A. Cosby(not the man by the same last name who raped women using Roopies): I have a big interest in this book, and so should many people who are worried about mafia and drugs. This author is like us, as smart as most of the City Council if I dare say, because he is secular and dealing with issues in the Black community. You might think I take this fictional work too seriously when I say I am disappointed in the ending: You might think it's comical that when the protagonist Roman keeps saying he is only killing in self-defense, and he isn't a real killer, as if this is a joke. It's not. It is good reasoning, and Cosby should have stayed with that reasoning until the end, which takes the pastors' view that all violence is bad. The beautiful author Hinton in "America on Fire" surprised me that there are hundreds of Black rebellions, which she enumerates. Eric Mann says we shouldn't take the pastors' view that fighting back is wrong, we should just not stand in the way of rebellions (very different attitude than the church). We also shouldn't teach pacifism which this book does at the end. This Cosby is worth all the readings I am doing of him, and will show tomorrow.